

# WHITESTOWN



## Whitestown Town Council Meeting Minutes



**December 16, 2014**

**Eric M** calls the November 12, 2014 Town Council Meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Roll Call: Dawn Semmler, Susan Austin, Kevin Russell, Eric Miller, Julie Whitman; present. **Pledge**

**Eric M** asks if there are any Modifications to the Agenda; **Susan A** m/m to add Resolution declaring November "National Adoption Month", **Eric M 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Claims Expenses Town/ Revenues Town/Utility Claims \*\***

**B. September 22 Special Meeting, October 2014, & November 2014 Meeting Minutes**

**Dawn S** m/m to approve Consent Agenda as amended; Item: A. Claims – Revenue – Town, Water, Wastewater, Item B. September 22 Special Meeting, October 2014, & November 2014 Meeting Minutes, **Kevin R. 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

### **PUBLIC REQUEST TO SPEAK**

**Eric M** opened the floor to public comment;

Clinton Bohm – 6098 Green Glade Dr., Whitestown, IN spoke regarding Worth Township and Whitestown Cooperation Update.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Written reports were provided to council.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**#A Consider an Ordinance Approving an Additional Appropriation (2014 Budget Transfer from Rainy Day Fund - \$200,000).** **Julie W** m/m to approve Ordinance 2014-36 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE No. 2014 – 36, **Dawn S 2<sup>nd</sup>**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**#A Consider an Ordinance Approving a Transfer of Appropriations (Transfer of Appropriations from One Major Budget Category to Another).** Ordinance 2014-37 – TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE was read. **Dawn S** m/m

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to read by title, Susan A 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried. Second Read. Dawn S m/m to approve Ordinance 2014-37, Susan A 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried. \*Changes need made and a 10 day publication needs completed.

**#B Consider An Ordinance Annexing Territory To The Town of Whitestown, Placing the Same Within the Corporate Boundaries Thereof and Making The Same A Part of The Town of Whitestown (BHI Retirement Communities, Inc. Super-Voluntary Annexation)(Ordinance 2014-38).** Dawn S read Ordinance 2014-38 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, PLACING THE SAME WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES THEREOF AND MAKING THE SAME A PART OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN – BHI RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES, INC. – SUPER-VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION. First Read.

**#C Consider An Ordinance Establishing Wages and Salaries for 2015 (Ordinance 2014-39).** Ordinance 2014-39 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, ESTABLISHING WAGES AND SALARIES FOR 2015 was read for First Read. Discussion ensues.

**#D Public Hearing for Consider a Confirmatory Resolution for the Designation of an Economic Revitalization Area and Approval of Tax Abatement Application opened at 7:36 p.m., closed at 7:36 p.m.** Resolution 2014-32 was introduced and discussion ensues. Dawn S m/m to adopt Resolution 2014-32 – A CONFIRMATORY RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA FOR THE DESIGNATION OF AN ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA AND APPROVAL OF TAX ABATEMENT APPLICATION – McCardwell, Inc., Eric M 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

**#E Consider a Resolution Approving Deduction Application for Area Previously Designated an Economic Revitalization Area and Within an Allocation Area (Tru-Flex Steel Personal Property Tax Abatement Request).** Resolution 2014-33 was introduced and discussion ensues. Eric M m/m to adopt Resolution 2014-33 – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA APPROVING PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTIONS IN WHITESTOWN ERA #1 UNDER INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1 – TRU-FLEX, LLC, Susan A 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

**#F Consider Acceptance of Town Road Miles Inventory.** Dawn S m/m to approve inventory, Susan A 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

**#G Consider Approval of a Purchase Agreement with American Legion Post 410 for the Purchase of Town Owned Property (7 S. Main Street) and Authorize the Town Manager to sign all Documents.** Susan A m/m to allow Town Manager to approve and sign all documents, Kevin R 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

**#H Consider Police Commission Recommendations for Chief of Police Compensation (Bonus/Goals).** A 7% bonus was recommended. Eric M m/m to approve 7% bonus, Julie W 2<sup>nd</sup>, vot 3-2, motion carried. (Dawn S, Susan A – No)

**#I ADDED – Fire Board Recommendations for Fire Chief – Bonus.** A 3% salary increase with a 5% bonus were recommended. Susan A m/m to accept, there was not a 2<sup>nd</sup>, not approved.

**#J Consider Equipment Purchase for WFD (Grass Rig).** Proposal presented. Discussion ensues. Kevin R m/m to approve the proposal with costs NTE \$50,000.00, Susan A 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

**#K Discuss SCBA Equipment Replacement Plan for WFD.** Fire Chief Westrich presented the proposal. Dawn S m/m to approved the proposal with costs NTE \$320,000.00, Julie W 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

**#L Consider 2015 Calendar of Meetings.** Discussion ensues. Eric M m/m to eliminate pre-meetings at 6:30 p.m. Susan A m/m to adopt calendar with changes, Julie W 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

**#M Consider Renewal of and Authorize the Town Manager to Sign Contract with GRW Engineers Inc. to Provide Engineering Consulting Services to the Town.** Discussion ensues. Dawn S m/m to allow Town Manager Dax Norton to sign contract for 2015, Susan A 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

**#N Discuss Appointments to Boards and Commissions – TABLED**

**#O Discuss a Joint Equipment Purchase with Parks Board (Equipment for Gator).** Dax Norton and Nathan Messer spoke regarding the purchase of powerbroom, plow and salt spreader for the Gator. This would be used for town facilities. Julie W m/m to allow Town Manager to purchase equipment with costs NTE \$7,500.00, Kevin R 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote 5-0, motion carried.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

**#A Update Town Hall Bond Spending and Construction Progress.** Report presented by Clerk Treasurer, discussion ensues.

**#B Update Perry-Worth Bond and Progress.** Dax Norton, Jason Lawson, and Dan Cutshaw spoke regarding progress. Discussion ensues.

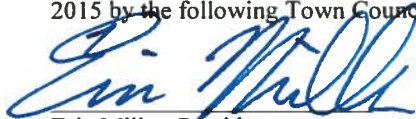
**#C Update Fire Station 71 Progress.** Discussion ensues.

**#D Update on Fire Station 72/Cozy Lane Progress.** Discussion ensues.

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**Dawn S m/m to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m., Susan A 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote; 5-0, motion carried.**

The minutes from a Regular Town Council meeting on December 16, 2014 are approved on the 13th day of January, 2015 by the following Town Council Members

  
Eric Miller, President

  
Susan Austin

  
Dawn Semmler

Julie Whitman

  
Kevin Russell

ATTEST:   
Amanda Andrews, Clerk Treasurer

← was present ;  
voted Yay.  
no signature